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4. (Amended) Compounds according to claim 1, wherein  $Y' = -R'O-$  and  $Y = -R'O-$ , R' has 1-6 carbon atoms.

5. (Amended) Compounds according to claim 1 wherein the precursor drugs of the compounds of formula (I) and (II) are selected from the following: anti-inflammatory, analgesic drugs, bronchodilators and drugs active on the cholinergic system, expectorant-mucolytic drugs, anti-asthmatic-antiallergic, antihistaminic drugs, ACE-inhibitors, beta-blockers, antithrombotic drugs, vasodilators, antidiabetic, antitumoral, antiulcer, antihyperlipidemic, antibiotic, antiviral drugs, bone reabsorption inhibitors, antidementia drugs.

7. (Amended) Compounds according to claim 5, wherein the precursor drugs are selected from the following:

anti-inflammatory drugs: acetylsalicylic acid,

5-aminoacetylsalicylic acid, carprofen, diclofenac sodium salt, diflunisal, etodolac, flufenamic acid, flunixin, flurbiprofen, ibuprofen, indomethacin, indoprofen, ketoprofen, ketorolac, lornoxicam, loxoprofen, meclofenamic acid, mefenamic acid, meloxicam, mesalamine, naproxen, niflumic acid, olsalazine, piroxicam, salsalate, sulindac, suprofen, tenoxicam, tiaprofenic acid, tolafenamic acid, tolmetin, zomepirac, tomoxiprol;

analgesic drugs: acetaminophen, acetylsalicylsalicylic acid, benoxaprofen, buprenorphine, butorphanol, capsaicin, diacerein, dihydrocodeine, ethylmorphine,

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eugenol, phenylbutazone, meptazinol, morphine, nalbuphine, pentazocine, thiorphan, tramadol, actarit;

bronchodilators drugs and drugs active on the cholinergic system: albuterol, carbuterol, clenbuterol, difylline, etofylline, fenoterol, ipratropium bromide, metaproterenol, oxybutynin, pirbuterol, salmeterol, terbutaline, tiotropium bromide, zaprinast, cyclodrine, NS-21, 2-hydroxy-2,2-diphenyl-N-(1,2,3,6-tetra hydro-pyridin-4-yl methyl) acetamide;

expectorant/mucolytic drugs: ambroxol, bromexine, guaiacol, sobrerol;

antiasthmatic/antiallergic antihistaminic drugs: cetirizine, chromoglycate, histamine, levocabastine, lodoxamide, montelukast, terfenadine, bromexine;

ACE-inhibitors: captopril, enalapril, lisinopril, losartan, ramipril;

beta blockers: alprenolol, atenolol, bupranolol, labetalol, metipranolol, metoprolol, pindolol, propranolol, timolol;

antithrombotic and vasoactive drugs: acetylsalicylic acid, acetorphan, argatroban, clopidogrel, dalteparin, dipyridamole, enoxaparin, heparin, iloprost, midodrine, ozagrel, phenylpropanolamine, trifusal;

antidiabetic drugs: tolrestat, nicotinamide;

antitumoral drugs: anthramycin, daunorubicin, doxorubicin, epirubicin, fluorouracyl, methotrexate, vinblastine;

antiulcer drugs: cimetidine, omeprazole, pantoprazole;

antihyperlipidemic drugs: lovastatin, pravastatin sodium salt, simvastatin;

antibiotics drugs: amoxicillin, ampicillin, aztreonam, biapenem, carbenecillin, cefaclor, cefadroxil, cefamandole, cefatrizine, cefoxitin, clavulanic acid, dicloxacillin, imipenem, meclocycline, methacycline, moxalactam, panipenem, sulbactam, azithromycin,

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erythromycin, josamycin, miokamycin, rifabutine, rifamide, rifamycin, gentamicin, paromomycin, sisomicin, bacampicillin, carbomycin, clindamycin, ciprofloxacin, clinafloxacin, difloxacin, enrofloxacin, lomefloxacin, nadifloxacin, norfloxacin, ofloxacin, pipemidic acid, apicycline, clomocycline, oxytetracycline, nifurpirinol, nifurprazine, isoniazid, rifampin, rifapentine, dapson, thiazolsulfone, sulfamethoxazole, sulfamoxole, metronidazole, arginine;

antiviral drugs: aciclovir, famciclovir, ganciclovir, penciclovir, ribavirin, vidarabine, zidovudine;

bone resorption inhibitors: alendronic acid, etidronic acid, pamidronic acid.

8. (Amended) Compounds or salts, or their compositions according to claim 1 for use as drugs.

9. (Amended) Use of compounds or salts, or compositions thereof according to claim 1 for the preparation of drugs for the therapeutic stress-oxidative application.

10. (Amended) Pharmaceutical formulations containing as active principle the compounds or their salts of claim 1.

### REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 3-5 and 7-10 are amended to correct the multiple dependency thereof and to place this application into better condition for examination. No new matter has been added.